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Re:

U.S. Utility Patent Application

Application No. 10/555,343; 371(c) Date: November 1, 2005

For: Freeze-Dried Preparation Containing Methylcobalamin and Process

for Producing Same

Inventors: KATO et al.

Our Ref: 1089.0590000/MAC

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Online Credit Card Payment Authorization in the amount of \$1,790.00 to cover:

\$ 980.00 Extension of Time fee for 2nd and 3rd month (1st month EOT previously paid on January 26, 2011); 810.00 RCE filing fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e);

2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);

- 3. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal; and
- 4. Amendment to Accompany the Filing of an RCE under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

The above-listed documents are being filed electronically through EFS-Web.

In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

Fee payment is provided through online credit card payment. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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